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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/527,529 Applicants:

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING ALKANOL

ALKOXYLATES AT OPTIMAL REACTION

TEMPERATURES

Group Art Unit: 1621

Examiner: KEYS, R.

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SIR:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of January 3, 2006, prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.